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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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1. ALTHOUGH AS AWARE AS DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY OF PAST  
SHORTCOMINGS OF ANNUAL PRESIDENTIAL AWARD PROGRAM, GURC  
HAS NOW SENT NOTE TO EMBASSY REQUESTING PROGRAM BE  
TEMPORARILY CONTINUED AND PROPOSING THREE STUDENTS  
FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1976-77. GURC NOTE IS IN RESPONSE TO  
EMBASSY'S OWN PROPOSITION (SEPTEMBER 1975), AS SUGGESTED  
BY DEPARTMENT IN REFTEL, THAT FOR SCHOLARSHIPS WE  
SUBSTITUTE GRANT FOR AMERICAN SPECIALIST TO DESIGN  
INTERPRETATION/TRANSLATION PROGRAM ON SITE IN CAMEROON.

2. EMBASSY NOTE WAS FOLLOWED BY EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS  
WITH PERSONNEL OF PRESIDENCY, PARTICULARLY WITH REFERENCE  
TO GURC'S NOTE 16 SEPTEMBER 1974 DESCRIBING PROBLEM OF  
STUDENTS CHANGING STUDY OBJECTIVES ONCE IN STATES AND  
ATTEMPTING EXTEND SCHOLARSHIPS AFTER COMPLETING  
INTERPRETATION/TRANSLATION COURSE. WE POINTED OUT  
AMERICAN SPECIALIST WORKING HERE COULD HELP NOT ONLY  
DESIGN CURRICULUM BUT ALSO TRAIN STUDENTS, PROBABLY  
BEING ABLE GIVE THEM MORE INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION THAN  
THEY WOULD RECEIVE IN CLASSES IN STATES. INTERLOCUTORS  
CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD PAST PROBLEMS AND APPEARED AGREE  
TRAINING PROGRAM IN CAMEROON WOULD BETTER SERVE NEEDS  
THAN SENDING PERSONNEL ABROAD.

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3. IN RECENT DISUCCSSIONS, HOWEVER, IT WAS MADE CRYSTAL CLEAR TO EMBASSY ANY CHANGE IN STATUS OF THIS PROGRAM WOULD BE STUDIED AND SUBJECT TO DECISION BY PRESIDENT HIMSELF. PROGRAM IS OF HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE IN GURC VIEW, HAVING ORIGINATED IN 1963, AND BECAUSE IT IS REGARDED BY GURC AS A MONUMENT TO CAMEROON-US RELATIONS AND REFLECTIVE OF RAPPORT BETWEEN PRESIDENTS OF TWO COUNTRIES.

4. IN ITS NOTE GURC SAYS AS ALTERNATIVE TO SCHOLARSHIPS IT "IS CONSIDERING AS PERMANENT SOLUTION" CREATION OF ECOLE SUPERIEURE DE TRADUCTION ET D'INTERPRETATION WHICH COULD BENEFIT FROM BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE.

5. IF DEPARTMENT APPROVES TEMPORARY PROGRAM CONTINUATION, EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPARTMENT APPROVAL FOR INCLUDING FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS IN RESPONSE TO GURC:

A. US INSTITUTIONS MAY REQUIRE STUDENTS BE EXAMINED IN CAMEROON PRIOR TO DEPARTURE TO DETERMINE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ADMISSION.

B. SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE VALID FOR MAXIMUM ONE US ACADEMIC YEAR AND NOT RENEWABLE FOR FURTHER EXTENSIONS AT US EXPENSE.

C. STUDENTS WILL BE PERMITTED TO ENROLL ONLY IN THOSE COURSES APPROVED BY THEIR ADVISORS AS NECESSARY FOR OR RELATED TO QUALIFICATION FOR THE INTERPRETATION/ TRANSLATION CERTIFICATE. IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ENROLLMENT, STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SEND TO GURC PRESIDENCY A LISTING OF THEIR COURSES AND ATTESTATION BY ADVISORS THESE COURSES REQUIRED OR RELATED PREPARATION INTERPRETATION/TRANSLATION CERTIFICATE.

6. GIVEN SUCH HIGH-LEVEL GURC INTEREST IN TEMPORARY CONTINUATION PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS, EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPARTMENT APPROVE AT LEAST TWO OF THREE CANDIDATES PROPOSED BY GURC FOR TERM 76-77. REQUEST REPLY ASAP.  
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